These schools were disaffiliated as they did not fulfil some of the essential condition laid down in the Affiliation Bye Laws of the Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE).

(c) The students studying to other schools disaffiliated by the Board are free to seek admissions to other schools so that their education is not affected. However, in order to ensure that the students were not harmed, on request, the CBSE allowed then to appear for the Board examination in the years of disaffiliation.

Recommendations of Kothari Commission

3401. SHRI ANNA JOSHI:
SHRI DATTARAYA BANDARU:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the recommendations of the Kothari Commission on Vocational Courses have not been implemented in to by the Government;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the action proposed to be taken by the Government to implement the recommendation early?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARJUN SINGH): (a) to (c). The main recommendations of the Kothari Commission on Vocational Education were taken into account when the National Policy on Education '86 was finalised. Accordingly a Centrally Sponsored Scheme of Vocationalisation of Secondary Education at +2 level of the school system was started with effect from Feb. 1988. Under the scheme liberal financial assistance is given to States /UTs for implementation of this programme. During the 8th Plan it is also proposed to introduce vocational courses at the lower secondary stage.

World Bank Assistance for Polytechnics

3402. SHRI HARISH NARAYAN PRABHU ZANTYE:
SHRI CHHEDI PASWAN:
SHRI LALIT ORAON:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether any polytechnics in the country are getting assistance from the World Bank;

(b) if so, the details thereof, Statewise, alongwith the amount of assistance provided during the last three years;

(c) whether the Government propose to seek World Bank Assistance for opening some more Polytechnics; and

(d) if so, the details thereof alongwith the places where such polytechnics are likely to be opened?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARJUN SINGH): (a) and (b). The World Bank has agreed to provide credit assistance of Special Drawing Rights (SDR) 373.3 million over the period 1990-1999 under two projects for upgrading Technician (Polytechnic) Education, covering polytechnics approved/recognised by the All India Council for Tech nical Education in 16 States and one Union Territory. The amount of assistance to each State will depend upon the actual expenditure